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Subject: Re: Residual Designation by EPA within DC WMG

Thank you Peter for your quick response. I will relay this information to the rest of the DC WMG, as well as all the information provided to the City of LA on 9/20. We will let you know if the other agencies would like you to attend the next meeting.

Thank you!
Taraneh

On Mon, Nov 22, 2021 at 10:39 AM Kozelka, Peter <Kozelka.Peter@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Taraneh, Alfredo and Cliff,

We appreciate your email and recognize the stir of energy. Here we provide some factual information to help clarify.

Yes Jenny Newman and Peter Kozelka did talk to the Los Cerritos Channel WMG today. Jenny said the LA Water Board is sending letters to the potential new permittees; i.e., CII facilities in each watershed. We can share the letter which invites the addressee to attend an informational meeting to learn more about this project. There are two virtual meetings scheduled for Dec. 7 and Dec. 16. EPA and the LA Water Board will host the meetings; Content of each meeting is same; presented twice to reach a broad audience.

The LCC cities did ask for a list of addressees. EPA recognizes the value of City personnel knowing more about the letter and who will receive it. In near future, EPA and the LA Water Board intend to reply to both WMGs on this request.

The LCC cities also asked for a 'factsheet' about this CII project so that they can field incoming questions from businesses with their city jurisdiction. We discussed that EPA is performing the designation due to District Court order after being petitioned by NGOs. The LA Water Board is developing the new CII permit, since they are the NPDES permitting authority in California. We are considering the request for a factsheet or equivalent method (website) of providing an overview of project and future updates.

EPA and LA Water Board are still considering the possible extent and details of the designation and NPDES permit, thus the desire to host these outreach meetings. EPA and the LA Water Board continue to coordinate

with State Board on this project. The current project timeline has possible draft designation (by EPA) and draft permit (by the LA Water Board) in early 2022. No firm dates for discussion at future LA Water Board meetings.

Aside from the new information about when invitations for the December meeting would go out, we covered essentially the same information as we provided to the City of LA (back on 9/20) in your capacity as lead for the Dominguez Channel WMG. We want to continue communications with Cities within each watershed, so please let us know if you would like us to visit the next DC WMG.

respectfully,

-Peter Kozelka

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Hello Peter,

At today's Dominguez Channel Watershed Management group, it came up that the Regional Board presented at the Los Cerritos Watershed Management group meeting and LB Nye let those cities know that preliminary letters were going out to the affected entities, TODAY. This caused quite a stir at our meeting amongst the cities, as they may be receiving calls about this and they are only familiar with what you presented at our

meeting a year or two ago. Can you provide me an update with the process, and any other important info that the DC agencies need to know. It was relayed to us that at the Los Cerritos meeting, that the info item in front of the Board will be presented in February. Any other update you can provide me to give to the DC WMG would be greatly appreciated (including any finalized details like who would be affected,etc.).

Thanks,

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